

Supervisor Murphy called the public meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Supervisor Murphy led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Clerk McMahon called the roll and the following board members were present:

Supervisor Murphy, Trustee Hurckes, Trustee Pratl, Trustee Sexton-Kelly and Trustee Toscas.

Also present were Elizabeth Shine, Attorney; Katie Elwood, Township Manager; Colleen Kenny, Deputy Clerk; Maureen Ryan, Executive Administrator; Shaun Murphy, Assessor; Dorsey Calhoun Palmore, Township employee and Fred Moody, a citizen.

MINUTES

Motion made by Trustee Pratl, seconded by Trustee Sexton-Kelly to approve the minutes from Session #1075-25, Regular Meeting, November 19, 2025.

Trustee Hurckes – aye

Trustee Pratl – aye

Trustee Sexton-Kelly - aye

Trustee Toscas - aye

Supervisor Murphy – aye

Motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS

Motion made by Trustee Toscas, seconded by Trustee Hurckes to approve Ordinance #575-25, an ordinance for the tax year 2025 levy for the Town of Worth General Town Fund in the amount of \$2,703,543.

Trustee Hurckes – aye

Trustee Pratl – aye

Trustee Sexton-Kelly - aye

Trustee Toscas - aye

Supervisor Murphy – aye

Motion carried.

Motion made by Trustee Toscas, seconded by Trustee Sexton-Kelly to approve Ordinance #576-25, an ordinance for the tax year 2025 levy for the Town of Worth General Assistance Fund in the amount of \$641, 380.

Trustee Hurckes – aye

Trustee Pratl – aye

Trustee Sexton-Kelly - aye

Trustee Toscas - aye

Supervisor Murphy – aye

Motion carried.

Motion made by Trustee Toscas, seconded by Trustee Pratl to approve Ordinance #577-25, an ordinance for the tax year 2025 levy for the Town of Worth Highway Department in the amount of \$1,200, 249.

Trustee Hurckes – aye

Trustee Pratl – aye

Trustee Sexton-Kelly - aye

Trustee Toscas - aye

Supervisor Murphy – aye

Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS

Motion made by Trustee Hurckes, seconded by Trustee Toscas to postpone approving until December 29th, Resolution #479-25, a resolution of the Township of Worth, Cook County, Illinois authorizing the submission of an advisory referendum question on the Illinois Property Tax Relief Act to be submitted to the voters of the Township of Worth at the general primary election, March 17, 2026.

Trustee Hurckes – aye
Trustee Pratl – aye
Trustee Sexton-Kelly - aye
Trustee Toscas - aye
Supervisor Murphy – aye

Motion carried.

Motion made by Trustee Sexton-Kelly, seconded by Trustee Toscas to approve the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with Illinois Department of Veterans Affairs (IDVA).

Trustee Hurckes – aye
Trustee Pratl – aye
Trustee Sexton-Kelly - aye
Trustee Toscas - aye
Supervisor Murphy – aye

Motion carried.

Motion made by Trustee Pratl, seconded by Trustee Hurckes to approve moving the January 21st meeting to January 15th.

Trustee Hurckes – aye
Trustee Pratl – aye
Trustee Sexton-Kelly - aye
Trustee Toscas - aye
Supervisor Murphy – aye

Motion carried.

REPORTS FROM ELECTED OFFICIALS

Supervisor Murphy wished everyone happy holidays. She reported that the Highway Department has been doing a great job keeping up with the weather. They currently have a 1999 truck with a plow that they are looking to trade for a new one.

Trustee Pratl shared that the 115 seniors attended an outstanding holiday luncheon. He thanked Trustee Toscas for providing prizes. Patty & Paula from the senior room are currently working on next year's calendar. He thanked everyone for welcoming him this year and wished everyone happy holidays.

Trustee Hurckes said Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!

Trustee Sexton-Kelly reported that volleyball is going great. The Santa room had huge crowds and was a lot of fun. Sensory Santa was the first night and was wonderful. Christmas Cares served over 300 children. Special thanks go out to the Lawmans Club, Griffith Foods, Berkshire Hathaway and Mayor Ryan. Youth Services Bureau continues to utilize telehealth.

Trustee Toscas wished everyone a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

Assessor Murphy relayed that November outreach was done during the Township's November board meeting. Thanks to all staff for all the help and all Township employees from other departments for helping out. Great job to all for '25, food pantry, foundation, etc. He wished everyone a Merry Christmas.

ATTORNEY'S REPORT

Reminder that the levy ordinances must be filed with the county clerk by the last Tuesday of December.

PUBLIC/STAFF PARTICIPATION

Fred Moody, a citizen, recommended that the levies should include the percent of change in the minutes.

CORRESPONDENCE/ANNOUNCEMENTS

None

TREASURERS REPORT

Motion made by Trustee Toscas, seconded by Trustee Hurckes, to waive the reading of the Treasurer's report and pay the bills as presented and budgeted.

Trustee Hurckes - aye
Trustee Pratl – aye
Trustee Sexton-Kelly - aye
Trustee Toscas - aye
Supervisor Murphy – aye

Motion carried.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Motion made by Trustee Hurckes, seconded by Trustee Sexton-Kelly to enter Executive Session for the semi annual review of executive session minutes per 2.06(22) of the Act at 6:19 p.m.

Trustee Hurckes – aye
Trustee Pratl – aye
Trustee Sexton-Kelly - aye
Trustee Toscas - aye
Supervisor Murphy – aye

Motion carried.

POSSIBLE FINAL ACTION ON ITEMS DISCUSSED IN EXECUTIVE SESSION

Motion made by Trustee Toscas, seconded by Trustee Hurckes to return to regular session at 6:27 p.m.

Trustee Hurckes – aye
Trustee Pratl – aye
Trustee Sexton-Kelly – aye
Trustee Toscas – aye
Supervisor Murphy – aye

Motion carried.

Motion made by Trustee Pratl, seconded by Trustee Toscas, to keep the Executive Minutes under seal.

Trustee Hurckes – aye
Trustee Pratl – aye
Trustee Sexton-Kelly – aye
Trustee Toscas – aye
Supervisor Murphy – aye

Motion carried.

ADJOURN

Motion made by Trustee Hurckes, seconded by Trustee Pratl to adjourn the meeting at 6:30 p.m.

Trustee Hurckes – aye
Trustee Pratl – aye
Trustee Sexton-Kelly - aye
Trustee Toscas - aye
Supervisor Murphy – aye

Motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted,

Clerk Eamon McMahon